



CHATSWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Pacific Highway
CHATSWOOD 2067

GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 26th February 2019 MINUTES

Attendees: As per meeting register.

1.	President's welcome
2.	Apologies Sue Low, Hindrik Buining, Doris Luo
3.	Presidents Report Refer to president reports attached – February 2019 Other points of note <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expect communication from the PRG by the end of Term 1 with an update on the new school development • Traffic survey will be issued to all families at the primary school and high school to help shape the traffic requirements for the new school– aiming for 2000 responses
4.	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email from Jane McMillan from Willoughby City Council dated 25th February 2019 regarding DA 2017/203 - Corner of Eddy Road and Freeman Roads – clarifying turning circle upgrade. Response was positive with a 6.5m radius. • Emma Stein-Holmes wrote an email to thank the P&C support for all their support over the past few years and to say goodbye • Trent Zimmerman – Christmas Card to Andrea Austin
5.	Confirmation of previous minutes <i>Motion: That the minutes of the previous general meeting on 23rd October 2018 be approved</i> <i>Moved: Joe Grundy, Seconded: Paul Battaglia; all in favour, motion passed.</i>
6.	Principal's report – presented by Su Hill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1300+ students, 100 Staff, 53 classes, 89% from non-english speaking background, 49 different languages throughout school, English / Korean bilingual program • Education Department provides for 50 classes based on current numbers however school funds an additional 3 classes to provide room for increases • 19 Music Programs – 580 applications to join music program this year • 20 Clubs – streamlined this year – 570 students applied for less than 200 places • 7 Dance groups – maximum the school can handle at present • Larger number of boys than girls at school - boy heavy school • Presented findings for Y4, 5 and 6 students NSW Education "Tell Them From Me" survey • Newsletter (through SWAY) – opened by 1000 people within 1 hour.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking to raise P&C Profile – suggested having 1 P&C meeting during the day in term time to allow other members who cannot attend at night to attend. Suggested middle of the year. Help to promote and encourage our community to know the good projects in which our P&C are involved. New Principal – expect to appoint in term 1 to commence start of term 2. Selection committee made up of Department of Education Director, P&C Representative, teacher rep, multicultural parent rep, principal from neighbouring school <p>Robin Scott: Creative Arts Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking at arts across the school Looking at murals throughout the school. Three proposed – 1 x bush campus, 2 x main campus. Will involve students and an artist. Help raise profile of visual arts in the school Tutti concert – performance at concourse – early Term 3. Made up of North Harbour learning committee – mixed choirs and bands. Further Opportunities to join with high school as middle school School executive made decision to look across 2 year period for music performances at school – believe it would benefit the school not to hold a Twilight concert every year – due to proximity to Tutti concert and logistical load on staff and parents. Tutti one year, twilight the next. Looking at other smaller opportunities for performances for all groups Parents provided feedback regarding the change to the twilight concert – feedback from parents is that it is very disappointing that this Chatswood community will lose this opportunity and do not believe that Tutti will capture the spirit of Twilight. Questioned whether it is an “either/or” situation. Suggested move Twilight to term 4? Heavy load with camp, dance concert and school reports. Parents strongly object that the school music department has not been consulted in the decision to move twilight to every second year. Twilight is an all inclusive non-competitive event where all students involved in the music department are involved. School acknowledges the frustration and said they would further review the change and come back to the P&C. <p>Michele Gladden – Interrelate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interrelate provided relationship advice since 1926. Offers consultancy service for parents in office Years 5 and 6 have undertaken this program “Moving in to Teenage Years”.
8.	<p>Treasurer’s update</p> <p>Pearl presented the Treasurer's Report.</p> <p>Motion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To approve amount totalling \$26,467.32 from the main account as listed in the Treasurer’s Report for payment Moved: Joe Grundy Seconded: Matt Wood; all in favour. Motion passed. To approve spending of \$85,000 in support of the 2019 component of the P&C Contribution to the school as per the budget and \$53,000 toward the Learning Support Program Moved: Joe Grundy Seconded: Matt Wood; all in favour. Motion passed. To approve an increase in the voluntary contribution by \$5 to a total of \$210 Moved: Joe Grundy Seconded: Matt Wood; all in favour. Motion passed.
9.	<p>Sub-Committee Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen report – verbal report from Aimee

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great show of volunteers at the start of school including some new kindy families. Hope to continue throughout the year • Tash Kay now in role 5 days a week. Other canteen supervisor moved on to another school. • Looking to hire additional assistant position – 3 hours a day. Potentially looking to job share with 2 people sharing the role. • Menu development meeting to take place at end of term to look for menu options for cooler months. • Looking at NSW healthy schools canteen strategy – deep audit to meet guidelines and long term goals of increasing fresh food, and food group balance. • Finalising procedures to ensure new / casual volunteers are up to speed. • Asset Inventory and food safety processes to be undertaken ● Uniform Shop – No report this month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ● Events – No report this month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ● Grounds – No report this month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ● Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Google drive workshops to be undertaken with sub-committee members.
<p>10</p>	<p>Outstanding items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chatswood Education Precinct: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer president report • Painted murals on demountable – refer principal report. Planning done in term 1 and expect to start term 2. • Lost property management – now under control with student helpers • Increase to leadership roles – music and sports captains now included • Traffic Management – truck usage for surrounding developments is being monitored and trucks are to be gone by 8.30. • Escalator pit was flooded – repair ongoing. Ongoing dangerous pedestrian activities, graphics to be included in upcoming newsletters. • New school principal – refer Principal report
<p>12</p>	<p>Other business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior/Senior sports award – suggested this should be Stage related like Drama and Public Speaking – School Executives to consider • Stationery list - timing of issue – request standard list at the end of term 4. School Executives said should be possible to issue a standard list at the end of the school year. • Election procedures for School leaders to be reassessed to potentially only have years 4, 5 and 6 vote. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consistency of selection process (speeches) bush cadets at bush campus to be reviewed • ChattiesWood feedback – very positive – both quality of production and content. Need to ensure consistency going forward in future years with lead parent leaving. Andrea reported there are now 2 great teachers on board and a graphic designer for the production. • Annual P&C Day - Wednesday 6th March – potential for 2.30 end of school catch up for meet and greet the team. Kate to follow up with P&C Team. • July and August P&C Dates – to be reviewed at future meeting • Umbrellas – Graphic depicting danger in umbrellas at school is to be published. Uniform shop sourcing rain coats

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Correct School Uniforms – Great to see the majority of children adhering to the school uniform this year and the school will continue to enforce correct uniform.● Blazers – Linda Ryan reported the school is sourcing blazers for the student leaders. Have chosen Royal blue for the blazer and are currently waiting on crest samples from Midford● Year 6 shirts – change from jumpers to polo shirts this year. Will have “19” (symbolising the Year) and their surname. Can be worn with sports uniform. Hope to be issued by the end of Term 1.● Emergency Evacuation procedure on Bush Campus queried given locked gate at Eddy Road. Procedures in place to unlock the gate in the event of an emergency. Other gates are not bolted, just visibly closed. Teacher is on duty on Eddy Road in afternoons at bell time for 15 minutes.● Election fundraising ideas – State Election 23 March. Looking for support from parents for a Sausage Sizzle. Suggested idea to use the funds raised towards a gardener in lieu of a working bee.● Update computers on main campus – School is looking to update computers with new laptops and ipads. Audit being undertaken beginning of this year. |
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There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.25 pm.